George Vaux, Jr., was reappointed by the Council the Solicitor of the Academy; Frank J. Keeley was also reappointed Curator of the William S. Vaux Collections, and Joseph Wilcox Custodian of the Isaac Lea Collections.

By authority of the Council, the securities of the Academy have been transferred from the Trust Company of North America to the Girard Trust Co.

The manuscript history of the Academy, prepared by the Recording Secretary in connection with the Centenary proceedings and accepted for publication in 1912, has been for some time ready for the printer, but awaits the necessary appropriation for its issue in proper form with desirable illustrations. The requisite amount is believed to be \$1800 for an edition of, say, 500 copies.

The Hayden Memorial medal was presented to Dr. Henry Fair-field Osborn for his distinguished work in palæontology at a special meeting held November 24. The presentation address was made by the President and responded to by the recipient of the award.

The lectures delivered to the pupils of the Girls' High School, referred to in the last report, were continued with gratifying results until April 15. During the current season so far two lectures of a similar course have been delivered by Dr. Skinner, two by Dr. Pilsbry, and one by Dr. Moore.

The regular course to the public was delivered on Monday evenings from January 5 to April 27 as follows: Three by Dr. Witmer Stone, on local bird life; one by Dr. B. Franklin Royer, on plagues, their transmission and prevention; one by F. Herbert Snow, on dangers of bad water; three by Dr. Henry A. Pilsbry, on the scientific explorers of America; three by Dr. Henry Skinner, on entomology; three by Dr. Spencer Trotter, on anthropology; three by Dr. Witmer Stone, on local wild flowers, substituting for Mr. Stewardson Brown, who was unable because of illness to deliver his appointed course.

The Delaware Valley Naturalists' Union, the Pennsylvania Library Club, the Delaware Valley Ornithological Club, the Philadelphia Botanical Club and the Philadelphia County Medical Society have held meetings in the Academy.

Edward J. Nolan, Recording Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

In the foreign relations of the Academy during the past year the most noteworthy circumstance was the marked decrease in the

volume of incoming correspondence as a result of the diminished activities of European scientific institutions since the outbreak of the war.

Correspondents reported deceased during the year were Albert Guenther, Carl Chun, Edward Suess, Frederick W. True, Theodore Gill, August Weismann and Charles Sedgwick Minot. Those elected were Edgar A. Mearns, Frank M. Chapman, Charles W. Richmond, Edmund Heller, Gerrit S. Miller, Nathaniel Charles Rothschild, Marie Curie, Charles T. Ramsden, Shibasaburo Kitasato, Frank Dawson Adams and Alfred Werner.

While a large number of scientific congresses in which the Academy was invited to take part had been scheduled for the year, all of those of an international character were either abandoned or postponed. In those cases in which the Academy was asked to express an opinion upon the advisability of so doing, our vote was cast in favor of postponement, as conditions in Europe seemed likely to preclude the attendance of a representative body of foreign delegates. In cases where delegates had been already appointed they were requested to allow their names to stand as the representatives of the Academy until the postponed meetings shall have convened. At the Atlanta meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science held in the early part of the fiscal year, Dr. Henry Skinner and Dr. Philip P. Calvert were the Academy's delegates. Dr. John Mason Clarke served as a delegate to the exercises inaugurating John Huston Finley as President of the University of the State of New York, and Professor J. G. Hidalgo was appointed to a like position in connection with 150th anniversary of the National Academy of Sciences and Arts of Barcelona.

As usual, a considerable number of requests for information were replied to by the Corresponding Secretary or referred to other members of the Academy staff. Statistics of the correspondence follow:

#### Communications received:

| Acknowledging receipt of the Academy's publications       |               |
|---|---------------|
| Transmitting publications to the Academy                  |               |
| Requesting exchanges or the supply of deficiencies        |               |
| Invitations to learned gatherings, celebrations, etc.     |               |
| Notices of deaths of scientific men                       |               |
| Circulars concerning the administration of scientific and | 1 educational |
| institutions, etc   |               |
| Photographs and biographies of correspondents             |               |
|   |               |
| Letters from correspondents                               |               |

### Communications forwarded:

| Acknowledging gifts to the library                                       | 1,308 |
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| Requesting the supply of deficiencies                                    |       |
| Acknowledging gifts to the Museum  | . 73  |
| Acknowledging photographs and biographies                                | . 6   |
| Letters of sympathy or congratulation, addresses, etc                    |       |
| Diplomas and notices of election of correspondents and delegates' creden |       |
| tials  | 23    |
| Miscellaneous letters  | . 152 |
| Annual reports and circulars sent to correspondents                      | 257   |
|  |       |
| Total forwarded  | 1,963 |

## Respectfully submitted,

J. Percy Moore, Corresponding Secretary.

# REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN. 1914.

The additions to the library since the last annual report amount to 8,325. Of these 7,244 were pamphlets and continuations of periodicals, 929 volumes and 152 maps.

They were received from the following sources:

|                                  |       | <u> </u>                        |     |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|-----|
| Exchanges                        | 3,727 | American Iron and Steel Insti-  |     |
| I. V. Williamson Fund            | 1,938 | tute                            | 11  |
| General Appropriation            | 827   | tuteGovernment of India         | 11  |
| United States Department of      |       | Estacion Sismologica de Car-    |     |
| Agriculture                      | 596   | tuja                            | 9   |
| Pennsylvania State Library       | 324   | United States Department of     |     |
| Authors                          | 157   | Commerce and Labor              | 8   |
| Editors                          | 121   | Edward J. Nolan                 | - 8 |
| J. A. Meigs Fund                 | 111   | Henry Skinner                   | 8   |
| United States Bureau of Educa-   |       | Publication Committee of the    |     |
| tion                             | 48    | Academy                         | 7   |
| Connecticut State Library        | 44    | Argentine Government            | 7   |
| Nebraska State Board of Agri-    |       | Michigan Fish Commission        | 7   |
| eulture                          | 31    | Thoreau Museum of Natural       |     |
| Imperial Department of Agricul-  |       | History                         | - 6 |
| ture, British West Indies        | 28    | Government of Costa Rica        | 6   |
| T. B. Wilson Fund                | 23    | Lowell Observatory              | 6   |
| New York Agricultural Experi-    |       | Caleb J. Milne, Jr              | - 6 |
| ment Station                     | 22    | University of Tennessee         | 6   |
| Pennsylvania Department of       |       | Trustees of the British Museum. | - 6 |
| Health                           | 21    | Commission of Conservation,     |     |
| Pennsylvania Department of       |       | Canada                          | 5   |
| Agriculture                      | 20    | Topographic and Geological Sur- |     |
| Sveriges Geologiska Under-       |       | vey of Permsylvania             | 5   |
| sokning                          | 15    | Michigan Geological and Bio-    |     |
| University of Nebraska           | 15    | logical Survey                  | 5   |
| United States Department of      |       | New Mexico College of Agri-     |     |
| the Interior                     | 13    | culture                         | 4   |
| Pan-American Union               | 12    | Geological Survey of India      | 4   |
| International Institute of Agri- |       | Department of Trade and Cus-    |     |
| culture                          | 11    | toms, Australia                 | 4   |
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